P.L. 2020, CHAPTER 131, ***approved December 4, 2020***
Assembly, No. 4852 ***(Second Reprint)***

AN ACT concerning extended unemployment benefits and amending P.L.1970, c.324.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Section 7 of P.L.1970, c.324 (C.43:21-24.13) is amended to read as follows:

7. An individual shall be eligible to receive extended benefits with respect to any week of unemployment in **[**his**]** the individual's eligibility period only if the division finds, that with respect to that week, the individual:

a. **[**he**]** is an "exhaustee" as defined in paragraph j. of section 5 of P.L.1970, c.324 (C.43:21-24.11); and

b. **[**he**]** has satisfied the requirements of this act for the receipt of regular benefits that are applicable to individuals claiming extended benefits, including not being subject to a disqualification for the receipt of benefits; and

c. **[**he,**]** for any initial claim for extended benefits effective after September 25, 1982 and before **[1]**[November 8, 2020]**[1]** June 28, 2020**[1]**, has established entitlement for **[**his**]** the individual's applicable benefit year based on the alternative earnings requirement specified in subsection (e) of R.S. 43:21-4, and was paid wages during the base year of **[2]**[his]**[2]** the individual's**[2]** applicable benefit year which equaled or exceeded **[2]**[forty]**[2]** 40**[2]** times **[2]**[his]**[2]** the individual's**[2]** weekly benefit rate; and

d. for any initial claim for extended benefits effective after **[1]**[November 7, 2020]**[1]** June 27, 2020**[1]**, has established entitlement for the individual's applicable benefit year based on the alternative earnings requirement specified in subsection (e) of R.S. 43:21-4**[2]**[, and:

(1)]**[2]** or**[2]** was paid wages during the base year of the individual's applicable benefit year which equaled or exceeded **[1]**[forty]**[1]** 40**[1]** times the individual's weekly benefit rate **[2]**[; or

(2) was paid wages during that base year which equaled or exceeded 1 1/2 times the individual's wages paid during the calendar quarter of the base year in which the individual's wages were highest; or

(3) had 20 full-time weeks of employment during that base year]**[2]**.

(cf: P.L.1982, c.144, s.2)

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
[1]Assembly ALA committee amendments adopted October 22, 2020.
[2]Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted November 12, 2020.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Concerns eligibility for extended unemployment benefits.